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**NHDOT TO HOST OUTDOOR ADVERTISING CONFERENCE**  
***8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EVENT WILL BE HELD AUGUST 28-31 IN MANCHESTER***

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT), in partnership with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the National Alliance of Highway Beautification Agencies (NAHBA), will host NAHBA's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Conference on the Control of Outdoor Advertising on August 28-31, 2005 at the Radisson Hotel in Manchester, New Hampshire.

This educational conference will focus on the outdoor advertising control program under the federal Highway Beautification Act. The workshop is aimed at fostering innovative ideas on issues challenging state departments of transportation, the FHWA, cities and towns, scenic organizations and the outdoor advertising industry in connection with the regulation of billboards, signs and junkyards adjacent to highways.

The conference agenda topics include: comprehensive zoning of billboards; vegetation maintenance affecting billboards; nonconforming billboards; changeable message signs; junkyard control; scenic byways; and privatization of outdoor advertising control programs. Those who should consider attending this conference include state, federal and local government administrators, those involved in outdoor advertising control issues, outdoor advertising industry representatives and scenic organizations.

The conference registration fee is \$200 per person. Interested persons should contact, Walter Keuenhoff, Supervisor of Outdoor Advertising Control, New Hampshire Department of Transportation, at (603) 271-8124.